

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF SANTA FE COUNTY

ORDINANCE NO. 2016- 2

AN ORDINANCE
AMENDING SECTION 3.5.4 OF ORDINANCE NO. 2015-11, THE SANTA FE COUNTY
SUSTAINABLE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE, CONCERNING HEARING OFFICER
QUALIFICATIONS

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANTA FE
COUNTY:

Section 1. Section 3.5.4 of Ordinance No. 2015-11, the Santa Fe County Sustainable Land
Development Code, is hereby amended to read in its entirety as follows:

“3.5.4. Qualifications. A Hearing Officer shall have a J.D. degree from a law school certified
by the American Bar Association or Association of American Law Schools, with not less than six
(6) years of legal experience, and shall be licensed to practice law in New Mexico. During the
term of the Hearing Officer’s appointment and during the three (3) years immediately preceding
the Hearing Officer’s appointment, neither the appointed Hearing Officer nor the Hearing
Officer’s law firm shall represent or have represented persons or entities with regard to land use
applications submitted to the County or in appeals of or lawsuits regarding County land use
decisions. In addition, a Hearing Officer shall not during the term of their appointment:

- a. hold elective office;
- b. be employed by the County;
- c. be appointed to any County or joint board or committee of the County and City of
Santa Fe;
- d. be employed by any political subdivision of the State of New Mexico or tribal
government the geographic boundaries of which are located either wholly or partly within
the geographic boundaries of the County; or
- e. be employed by a governmental entity from which the County requests opinions
pursuant to Section 4.4.7 or Section 5.7.5.1 of the SLDC.”

Section 2. This Ordinance shall become effective 30 days after it is recorded with the County
Clerk.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ENACTED this 29th day of March, 2016, by the Board of County
Commissioners of Santa Fe County.

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By Miguel M. Chavez
MIGUEL M. CHAVEZ, Chair

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Geraldine Salazar
GERALDINE SALAZAR, County Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Gregory S. Shaffer
GREGORY S. SHAFFER, County Attorney

COUNTY OF SANTA FE)
STATE OF NEW MEXICO) ss

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Witness My Hand And Seal Of Office
Geraldine Salazar

Deputy *Laura Hernandez* County Clerk, Santa Fe, NM



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